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## Favorably Received.

The President's message has been received most favorably, as is manifested by the comments passed upon it. It does not necessarily follow that each and every suggestion is approved even by those who in the main are in accord with the Administration, because many are tenacious of their own opinions concerning questions of public policy, but on all sides one hears "heart" commendation on the general high character of the communication. Instead of following the beaten track and adding to the length of what must necessarily prove a long document, by copious quotations from the reports of heads of departments, the President, realizing that the same means by which he reaches the people had already placed before them the salient features of the departmental reports, confined himself to a direct discussion of the questions coming before Congress.

This was a most agreeable innovation and one that added greatly to the interest of the message. Unlike his predecessor the President does not attempt to drive Congress and the chances are that he will be more successful in securing favorable action upon his recommendations. The members around the White House are very different from what they were under the previous Administration. The members between the Executive and the members now being of the most pleasant character. A man can be President in all the terms implied and at the same time keep in touch with the people, as well as their representatives.

## Hawaii Treaty Today.

Senator Davis' chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations gave notice that he will ask the Senate to take up the Hawaiian annexation treaty today. The committee will hold a session this morning prior to the meeting of Congress and prepare a line of action. The general opinion is that the necessary two-thirds vote will be forthcoming when the matter comes to a vote but of course it is not possible for the opponents of annexation to already indicate their position upon the decision. Whether they will resort to these extreme measures to be determined. It seems to be practically assured that the Senate will be asked at this session if the Senate fails to ratify the treaty then the result will be secured by a joint resolution, the passage of which only requires a majority vote. The sentiment of the country is undoubtedly decided in favor of the speedy settlement of this question in the affirmative.

## Very Different.

One of our esteemed Democratic exchanges remarks that the message of President McKinley "is as different from the deliverances of his predecessor to Congress as Grover Cleveland is from William McKinley as a personality. True, and both facts are matters for congratulation on the part of the American people. Our contemporary might have carried this point of difference even further. The conditions under which Congress assembled to listen to the first annual address of President McKinley, differ very materially from those prevailing when President Cleveland delivered his first annual address on entering upon his second administration.

The difference is the difference between public confidence and a general feeling of impotence and public demoralization supplemented by widespread business panic. To-day the American people are looking to the future in a very contented frame of mind then they were alarmed and dependent over what the future had in store for them, and subsequent events proved that those feelings were fully warranted. There is indeed a difference between the personality of McKinley and Cleveland as there is a difference between the conditions they represent but the difference is of a character to make the people entirely satisfied with the change at Washington.

## The Other Side.

In connection with the sensational reports that have been printed concerning Cuban affairs, emanating from persons who have not been on the field "but who have adorned 'hotel piazzas in Florida and elsewhere taking for gospel whatever picturesque and glowing narrative Cuban sympathizers choose to give them, the Boston Herald invites attention to the narrative published by Mr. George Bronson Rea, the field correspondent of the New York Herald and Pikes About Cuba, is one of the very few correspondents who has actually been among scenes he describes. The work is embellished with a picture representing Gomez threatening to shoot the author if he dares to write the truth regarding the situation of the insurgent forces.

Mr. Rea declares that the Cubans, not the Spaniards, burned the crops of the pacificos, driving them to the towns for shelter. He further declares that the same forces have wantonly slaughtered the cattle on the islands, to the end that Spain might be obliged to purchase food supplies for her soldiers and the pacificos so as to drain her resources and make it impossible to continue the war. The Herald says that the publication "bears the mark of veracity in every particular. Whether it is entirely correct in its statements or not, the fact that one of the men who really participated in the scenes enacted on the islands thus specifically contradicts much that has been published, affords an excellent reason for refraining from excitement over every publication in a sensational press.

## Am I a Wizard?

It seems that Edison has a rival in the scientific world in the person of his own son. This young man, after having served as an assistant to his father for some time, started out for himself last summer and has already attracted the attention of the big electrical manufacturing concerns. Young Edison has invented several electrical appliances, one of which is an improved incandescent lamp, which it is claimed is superior to any other on the market. In connection with his father's work, he has proposed to produce from his father's scientific papers a series of popular scientific lectures, and has been successful in securing the cooperation of several of the big electrical manufacturing concerns. He has also been successful in securing the cooperation of several of the big electrical manufacturing concerns.

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That Tom Burns will retire from the Chicago office of the Record is a fact which has been practically decided. It is a fact which is well known to all who are conversant with the affairs of the city. Mr. Burns has been in the office of the Record for a number of years, and has been one of its most valuable contributors. He has been a constant contributor to the paper, and his articles have been of great value to the readers. He has been a constant contributor to the paper, and his articles have been of great value to the readers. He has been a constant contributor to the paper, and his articles have been of great value to the readers.

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Mr. B. L. Haskell, of Portland, was in the city on business Tuesday.

Mr. Andrew McKelley, of Rochester, New York, is visiting friends in the city.

Miss Mae Blackwell, of West Newton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. N. J. Packard, of this city.

Mrs. M. Dunham, of Ellsworth, Me., is visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. F. H. Curtis, at 23 Holyoke street.

Mr. H. B. Washburn, of this city, has contracted to decorate Old Fellows' hall here, also town hall at Hattisland and will see his crew at work there next week.

The death of Jeremiah Hobbs, who was stricken with a paralytic shock last Friday, occurred Tuesday morning at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Edith Washburn, of Holyoke street. He was 76 years, 10 months and 6 days of age. The deceased was a veteran of the late war and was a member of B. H. Hall, Post, G. A. R. of Bangor. He leaves a widow and two daughters, Mrs. Edwin Carlow and Mrs. Wm Crocker, who have the sympathy of friends in their bereavement. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Insurance adjusters were in the city Tuesday morning, attending to the business of the Insurance Company and the Providence and Washington Insurance Company, and adjusted the insurance on C. I. Dean's stable which was burned last week. Mr. Dean had an insurance of \$2,400 on the stable and its contents and he was allowed the full amount of insurance. The insurance was placed by the agency of S. Burr & Co.

Agents S. Burr & Co. have been the losers on the fire loss on W. W. Perkins' stock, which will be adjusted in a short time. In all cases the insurance allowed has been satisfactory.

Much anxiety was made manifest in this city all day Tuesday, and up to a late hour last evening, regarding the condition of Major Merrill, who is still at his home on State street. During the day several startling reports were circulated, which caused a feeling of sadness and regret to creep into the hearts of those they fell to, but we are glad to state they were only reports, although the major is a dangerously sick man. Dr. C. P. Thomas, his attending physician, said late last night that the major's symptoms seemed a little more encouraging. We are in hopes to publish a marked improvement in his condition in our next issue.

STREETS OF BREWER

Whig Man Sees Results of Commissioner Harlow's Small Appropriation.

The streets of Brewer are not the streets of New York by any means, although Brewer has an east side, west side and an all around the town that the members of the street department have worked hard on the past season, and will now stand much commending and very little criticizing if any at all.

Knowing that this was the best time of year to judge the condition of the streets and highways, the whig man made a proposition to street commissioner Harlow that the grounds be gone over and inspected, which our commissioner very kindly consented to do and Monday, notwithstanding we were obliged to wear earlups we took Maud—Maud is the commissioner's horse you understand—and started out on a ramble.

At the town pump in Holyoke square we gave Maud a good supply of water to keep her from drying up, she is a good horse—a goer in fact—and as we went up the little river road at a 28 gait was a surprise to the commissioner as well as Maud herself, and made the whig man hop the driver affectionately to keep from falling off the seat.

At North Brewer we took a good look at the number of curbs that have been built per order of the council, which, it is understood, were put in for the purpose of preventing the ice foe that occurs every year where the road runs along near the shore of the river, which has always been a source of trouble and inconvenience to the public in general. These curbs may prove successful in doing all that is meant for them but only time can tell that.

Turning back we find that nearly every foot of the great main artery running through the city has been turpiped and in excellent condition for travel, the ditches are clean and slope to a grade from the center of the street that will carry off the water properly after a heavy rain or the melting of the snow in the spring, bad places along the way have been filled in with good gravel, and the old culverts and bridges have been repaired all the way along. One place in particular we must not forget to mention is that piece of the main street between Holyoke and State streets that for years has been an eye sore to the residents of that vicinity, but now would cure sore eyes to look at it. It is one of the best jobs the commissioner has done this year.

At this point we took a turn around the corner out to State street and as Maud's great desire was to continue on home, she nearly spilled us out, and we both were obliged to push on the reins to keep her head in hand, but when we did begin to back beat the commissioner broke his whip and Maud didn't stop thing to it, the commissioner came within an arm's length of his false teeth, and when we stopped way out at the junction of Wilson street the rim of our hats were resting quietly on our shoulders and our earlups didn't cut any ice whatsoever.

This piece of road that whig man saw only as he looked through watery eyes, which, perhaps, he thought were the eyes of a horse, but it can be truthfully stated that State street is all right from A to Z with the exception of a few brick-bats on the hill side of the John Holyoke residence, which can only be kicked at by bicycle riders—see kicking at which would suffice.

Down Wilson street Maud was content to walk and give us a good ride, and as the whig man has also been turpiped and presents a fine appearance, although there are yet some bad places to be fixed. From the railroad track to the ferry we find one of the best made streets in the city and such credit is due the commissioner for the excellent work he has done here the past summer.

At Summer street the commissioner asked Maud to stop a while to give us a chance to see what had been done. On this street we find a long stretch of new concrete sidewalk that is a credit to the city, and a source of great convenience to residents in that vicinity. "What a pity all our walks could not be made in the same way," said the commissioner, as a hour rolled down his cheek.

It was too cold to hug him so we moved on to the square where Maud was again allowed to wet her whistle at the water pump.

From here we rode up to Parker street, where the commissioner and his crew were actually sweat blood during the summer.

THE FASHIONS.

The exquisitely due weaves in drap drape clothing and double faced cashmere displayed among attractive winter fabrics, in the daintier grades, present a wide range of rare and beautiful tints not attainable in any other fabric of approximate price.

The rage for woven trimmings very closely copying the most intricate and dainty hand embroideries in shaded colors, is increasing.

The Russian dress is continually exerted to maintain a variety of patterns. Silk, arapace Persian brocade, steel jet, tiny Roman pearls and creamy opals, sapphires and other glittering gem jewels are each and all employed in the decoration of these metric bands and elaborate ornaments.

an applique is dazzling and these garlands in original designs for the neck, upon strands of pink or orange satin ribbon, not more than an inch and a half wide.

Many of the winter round hats are appealing in their graceful, but the most graceful of the hats are graceful, comfortable, and, as a rule, becoming. There are also some pronounced French models that would not suit the general taste. A bonnet, for example, of golden brown velvet, heavy of pile like a salmon fur, affects the outlines of an old fashioned cat's paw in front. It comes well over the forehead, and the crown is to be worn a la merced in this particular bonnet. At the sides the shape is round and very short above the ears and extremely short at the back, with velvet strings starting from the shortest part of the crown, and a changeable flame and golden-brown color. This bonnet is trimmed with a billowy mass of red, olive, and gold-colored feathers, effectively grouped by another model with a penitence front and a short roussette back, is made of two superb shades of dark velvet, garnished with pale mauve feathers, loops of the velvet, purple lace and a trim of tiny tulle.

Evening toilets show stylish laces and ends of ribbon on the shoulders, the laces alone or mingled with airy frills of pleated silk muslin. The half low bodice shows the still popular Watteau bow of medium wide ribbon, placed between the shoulders at the backs, the ends falling low on the dress skirt. Of ribbons a fine made one, charming in color, is made of delicate velvet, with a wide front, pocket front, panel pieces, flaps, puffs for slashed sleeves, blouses, collars, and a little mouchoir muffs or chapeaux.

Many of the demi-skirts are cut with nice gorges, and at the back some are box pleated and others flat pleated.

Huguenot caps are added to the tops of many of the short full, pulled sleeves of evening bodices.

Flannels, which are applied to Russian blouses, jacket bodices, surplice waists and similar garments are changed in various ways. Some are encircled, others cut in oval tails or sharp V-shapes, and some are cut in a form, with or without plaits at the top.

Little boleros, made of other small jacket pieces are added to the fronts of high or low necked gorges, cut a la russe and made of airy tulle, draped, lined or over fitted silk underwaists.

These little side pieces are made variously of lace, velvet, jeweled passementerie, satin, brocade or watered silk, and the sleeve puffs and collar—collar there are—these pieces in color and fabric.

German broadcloth in dark Russian red or the favorite blue shade of the winter is noted among elegant models in redingotes and other enveloping garments of the season. Some of the very expensive wraps are lined throughout with fur, notably a very beautiful blue garment with elegant sleeves, passementerie and a high collar.

Another handsome model is a cape of blue German broadcloth, lined with mink fur and trimmed with black and white ornaments. There is also an immense reverse collar of mink around the neck, and a third model of a Russian dress is made of red and black fancy cloth, lined with red satin and trimmed with bands of black fur, with a very high collar and a long row of fur.

A great number of the new coats are made decidedly longer than autumn last season. Very tall, slender women may congratulate themselves on the change. The semi-fitting English walking coat goes a certain value in the way of shorter styles. The long, loose coat which somewhat resembles the circular Russian model, falling from a yoke, is made in many handsomely dyed materials, and is a very popular style.

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